

Coastal Impact Assistance Program (CIAP)
Required Information and Selection Criteria for Projects Nominated for CIAP
Funding

Information required for all CIAP project nomination submittals:

1. Project Title: Tri-Parish Sediment Delivery (Plaquemines, Jefferson and Lafourche Parishes) (Phase one)
2. Entity/Individual nominating the project: Lafourche Parish Government
3. Contact Information (Name, Address, Telephone, Email): Windell Curole
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4. Total CIAP Funds Requested: \$34,664,884.00
5. Parish CIAP Funds Proposed:
6. State CIAP Funds Requested:
7. Infrastructure Funds Proposed: N/A
8. Description and Location of Project: The proposed tri-parish sediment delivery project would entail multiple phases of long distance pipeline conveyance of sediment from the Mississippi River and the infrastructure improvements necessary to create marsh in Plaquemines, Jefferson and Lafourche Parish (see attached map). The first phase of the project would entail the infrastructure improvements and an approximately 1,100 acre marsh creation and nourishment project in Plaquemines Parish. Assumptions for the project are that dredge material would be conveyed by pipelines from a dredge positioned in the Mississippi River near Naomi.
9. Project Type (from list below of authorized CIAP fund uses): Conservation, restoration and protection of coastal area, including wetland.
10. Project Justification: Assumptions are that material quantities would range between 3,300 and 4,800 cubic yards (for deeper areas) per acre. Assuming an average placement of 4,000 cubic yards per acre and a \$5/cubic yard place, a budget cost of \$22,000,000 may be used for planning purposes. Depending on actual levels of funding available, the project can be built to match a fixed sum amount. Assumptions are that infrastructure improvements will cost approximately \$2.5 million to allow for future access of areas with dredge pipe. Assumptions are that some of the planting could be done through seeding of Smooth Cordgrass and some hand planting of strategic areas.
11. Project cost share (Types and amounts of non-CIAP funds proposed, if any):
N/A

Types of Projects authorized by the CIAP legislation:

1. Conservation, restoration and protection of coastal area, including wetland.
2. Mitigation of damage to fish, wildlife and natural resources.
3. Planning assistance and the administrative costs of complying with this section
4. Implementation of a federally approve marine, coastal, or comprehensive conservation management plan.
5. Mitigation of the impacts of OCS activities through funding of onshore infrastructure projects and public service needs.

Not more than 23 percent of the CIAP funds received by the State or parishes for any fiscal year can be used for the purposes described in items 3 and 5.

Criteria to be used to Evaluate Proposed Coastal Restoration and Conservation Projects

1. Is the proposed project free of issues that may impact timely implementation of the project features?
2. Is the proposed project linked to a regional strategy for maintaining established landscape features critical to a sustainable ecosystem structure and function?
3. Does the proposed project protect health and safety or infrastructure of national, state, regional or local significance?
4. How cost effective is the proposed project?
5. What is the certainty of benefits resulting from implementation of the proposed project?
6. Does the proposed project address an area of critical conservation/restoration need or a high land loss area?
7. How sustainable are the benefits of the proposed project?